

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPTIMIZING DATA TRANSFERS
BETWEEN PROCESSES**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

- 5 Data transfer between different computer programs or different computers can
be optimized by tracking the performance of different data transfer pathways and
selecting the particular pathway to use for future transfers according to user-specified
rules or requirements. User-specified rules provide a metric or yardstick by which the
data transfer pathway metrics can be evaluated in order to address their suitability to
10 address their propriety for a data transfer pathway.

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